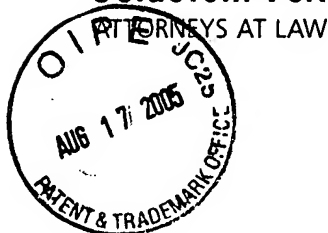



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Application No. 10/679,965; Filed: October 7, 2003
For: **Thromboresistant Coated Medical Device**
Inventors: Shah *et al.*
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Second Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement;
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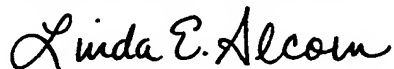
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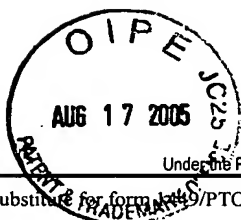


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